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Photo Media Printing

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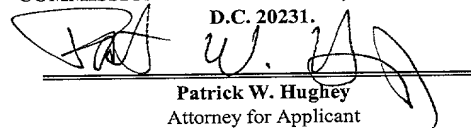
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**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO ACCOMPANY
REQUEST FOR CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.53(b)**

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Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as set forth below.

Separately attached to this amendment is a marked up version of revised specification paragraph(s) and claims showing the changes relative to the previous version. This amendment includes in the listing below the entire set of pending claims.

In The Claims

Of the following, claim 1 has been rewritten. Claims 2 – 10 and 13 – 20 are cancelled. Claims 21 – 23 are new.

1. (Amended) A method of producing a glossy print, comprising the steps of:
coating a transparent medium with a translucent ink-receiving coating;
printing an image onto the translucent ink-receiving coating; and
applying a backing over the printed image, thereby to produce a glossy print of the image as viewed through the transparent medium.

11. The method of claim 1 wherein the applying step includes the step of bonding the backing to the transparent medium to cover the printed image.

12. The method of 11 wherein the bonding step includes moving the transparent medium after printing the image so that a side of the transparent medium carrying the printed image contacts and adheres to a sheet of opaque backing material.

21. The method of claim 1 wherein the coating step includes blending titania particles with a sol gel mixture to produce the translucent ink-receiving coating.

22. A printed photo media article, comprising:

a transparent medium having a coating of translucent ink-receiving material on a first side thereof;

an image printed onto the translucent ink-receiving coating; and

a backing adhered to the first side of the medium to cover the printed image and ink-receiving coating, thereby to provide a glossy print of the image as viewed through the transparent medium.

23. The apparatus of claim 22 wherein the translucent ink-receiving coating comprises titania particles blended with a sol gel mixture.

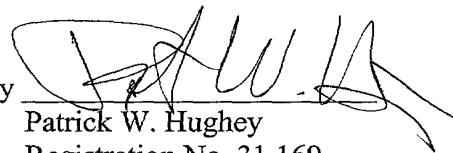
REMARKS

By this amendment claims 1, 11, 12, and 21 – 23 are in the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment to Preliminary Amendment

Claims:

1. (Amended) A method of producing a glossy print, comprising the steps of:
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printing an image onto the a transparent translucent ink-receiving coatingmedium; and
applying a backing over the printed image, thereby to produce a glossy print of the image
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